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## Subpart A—Functions and Responsibilities of Finance Board

#### § 900.1 Definitions.

As used in this part:

Bank means a Federal Home Loan Bank.

Bank Act means the Federal Home Loan Bank Act.

Bank System means the Federal Home Loan Bank System, consisting of the Federal Home Loan Banks.

*Finance Board* means the Federal Housing Finance Board.

### § 900.2 General statement and statutory authority.

(a) The Finance Board is an independent, executive agency in the Federal Government, responsible for regulating the Federal Home Loan Bank System. It is funded through assessments levied upon the Federal Home Loan Banks. These funds are not considered Government Funds or appropriated monies. The Finance Board is governed by a five-member Board of Directors and administered by a full-time staff.

(b) The members of the Board of Directors are individually referred to as Directors. The heads of the various administrative units, called offices or directorates, are also called Directors.

(c) The Finance Board administers chapter 11 of the Bank Act, as amended, and is authorized to issue rules, regulations and orders affecting the Banks. The Finance Board performs all such duties and responsibilities as may be required by statute. Under section 302(b)(2) of the Federal National Mortgage Association Charter Act, it also conducts a monthly survey of all major lenders to calculate a national average for interest rates on mortages for onefamily homes, on behalf of the Federal National Mortgage Association. Under section 305(b) of the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation Act, it conducts a similar survey for the Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corporation.

### § 900.3 Location and business hours.

(a) *Location.* All office units of the Finance Board are located at 1777 F Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006.

(b) *Hours of operation.* The regular hours of operation of the Finance Board are from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

### § 900.4 Federal Home Loan Bank System.

(a) The Finance Board regulates the Banks, created under the Bank Act. Specifically, its duties are: